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1. **Changes:** This CT updates 7 FAM 530.

   Section 534.3 includes new information about applying for a Social Security number.

   Section 537.1-1 contains information about Direct Deposit with Comercia Bank.

   Other minor language and formatting changes were made throughout.

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